(*b*) the number of recognised Siddha Vaidyasalas therein;

(*c*) the names of the Siddha Vaidyans in the recognised Vaidyasalas; and

(*d*) the date of the recognition of the Vaidyasalas?

MR. P. S. KUPPUSWAMI AIYAR: (*a*) The information is not available.

(*b*) Four.

(*c*) 1. P. Shanmukhom Vaidyan, Kottar, Cape Road.
2. Subramonia Asan, Siddha Marma Vaidyan, Kottar, Cape Road.
3. S. Kumaraswamy Mudaliyar, Vadassery.
4. E. Easwaramoorthy, Ramavarmapuram.

(*d*) 1. 11-4-1933.
2. 2-10-1935.
3. 11-12-1936.
4. 23-10-1939.

The Cold Storage Plant.

146. ***MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Cold Storage Plant at Trivandrum (with the department of Fisheries) is in operation now;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the amount spent for it for the first half of 1116; and

(*c*) the receipts from the plant for the same period in 1116?

DR K. L. MOUDGILL: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 1,300-0-0.

(*c*) Rs. 1,190-20-11.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: With reference to part (b) of the answer, may I know the exact amount that was spent on establishment charges?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: Sir, I must do a little calculation to answer that question.

PRESIDENT: If the honourable member has no information he can claim notice.

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: I shall supply it later Sir.

MR: KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: Sir, I rise to a point of order. I have asked what amount was spent for the cold storage plant for the first half of 1116. The honourable member has answered that Rs. 1,300 were spent. Then I asked him what amount was spent for establishment charges in connection with the working of the cold storage plant. Is it in order for the honourable member to say that he ha not prepared the answer?

PRESIDENT: There is no point in raising a point of order in this case. The Government member only stated that he will supply the information later after making some calculation. If the honourable member wants such information he can apply for it and get the information.

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MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR : May I know the amount of fish that was sold out of this plant during the first half year of 1116 ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL : The weight of the fish cannot be furnished. I may add that the figures are strictly in accordance with the question. The amounts do not include the value of fish in stock or of sums pending realisation.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR : May I know Sir, whether this plant was working in the first half year 1115 ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL : No, Sir.

PRESIDENT : This is a matter in which the public have not co-operated as they should co-operate with the Government. This cold storage plant was purchased at a cost of 23 or 24 thousand rupees in the hope and expectation that people who deal in fish will gather together and for the purpose of preservation of the fish, take advantage of this cold storage. No such organisation has been formed and the public are taking no interest. More than that, such interest as was originally taken was frustrated by mischievous efforts. Even now the cold storage is there and it ought to be utilised for the purpose of preserving fish so that it may be distributed under cold storage transport conditions to the rest of the State. This is a very dear desire of the Government. If the initial loss is, not twenty thousand but fifty thousand or even a lakh of rupees, Government are prepared to help in the endeavour to transport fish in a wholesome condition to the interior of the State dealing with the cold storage plant as a centre for preservation and distribution so that the fish industry is made one of the major industries in the State. Honourable members who are interested in the industry have not evinced any real interest in this problem. It is hoped that they will do so in future.

MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMANKUNJU : കോൾഡ് സ്റ്റോറേജ് പരീക്ഷണാർത്ഥമല്ലേ നടത്തിയത് ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL : Yes, Sir.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : ഇത് മുമ്പു നടത്തി തോൽവിയാണെന്നു കണ്ടു നിറുത്തിയിരുന്നതല്ലേ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL : Yes, Sir. I am sure Sir, that the honourable member himself knows many of the circumstances that led to the termination of the experiment. But, further experiments are being carried out and it is too early to say that it is a failure. The results are promising.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ പരീക്ഷണവും കണ്ടിടത്തോളം നഷ്ടമാണെന്നു ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്ടില്ലേ ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL : No, Sir. On the contrary it is not a failure.

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PRESIDENT: Even if the loss is ten times more, Government will go on with the experiment.

MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMANKUNJU: മത്സ്യ കോൾഡ് സ്റ്റോറേജിനു തടസ്സം വന്നത് മൽസ്യവ്യവസായികളുടെ പ്രക്ഷോഭണഫലംകൊണ്ടുകൂടി അല്ലേ ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: The member is very well informed.

MR. P. KUNJU KRISHNAN: May I know whether there is any scheme for a scientific industry in the State ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: That is rather a tall order. There are a number of schemes for the improvement of fisheries.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: ഇതിനു മൂലധനച്ചെലവ് എത്ര വരും ?

DR. K. L MOUDGILL: Speaking from memory, Sir, about Rs. 22,000.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: മൂലധനച്ചെലവും അതിന്റെ പലിശയുംകൂടി കണക്കാക്കുമ്പോൾ ഇതിന്റെ പ്രവർത്തനം കൊണ്ട് സാരമായ ഒരു സംഖ്യ നഷ്ടപ്പെടുന്നില്ലേ ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: Sir, it is a well known fact that in all commercial undertakings, in the beginning interest cannot be paid because in the initial stages many points of technique and marketing have to be established. But it is expected that ultimately interests may also be paid on this scheme.

Visha Vaidyasala in Peruvilla, Kalkulam.

147. ***MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether on 5th Thulam 1115 one M. Narayana Nadar of Peruvilla village in Alloor pakuthi, in Kalkulam taluk submitted a petition to the Government, praying that his Visha Vaidyasala should be recognised by the State ; and

(*b*) the action taken thereon ?

MR. P. S. KUPPUSWAMI AIYAR: (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (a).

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: May I know whether a petition dated 5-3-1115 was presented to Government praying for grant ? And if so, what action was taken on the petition ?

MR. P. S. KUPPUSWAMI AIYAR: The petition was recorded after due enquiry.

Medicinal qualities of Palmyra-Jaggery.

148. ***MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Research Department of Travancore University has made research about the medicinal qualities of palmyra-jaggery ?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: No.

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